(iii) Late-crushing incentives were announced in the form of higher freesale quota at 72%, as against the normal entitlement of 60%, to sugar mills for the production to be achieved during the period 1-5-1994 to 31-7-1994.

(iv) Incentives have been announced in 'the form of higher free sale quota at 100 percent, as against normal 60 percent, to sugar mills for the additional/ incremental production to be achieved during the period 1-8-1994 to 30-9-1994 over the production during the same period in 1992-93 season.

(v) State Governments have been requested to ensure prompt clearance of cane price dues to the farmers by the sugar factories.

(vi) The loan component for grant of Sugar Development Fund assistance for KT Weirs and lift irrigation schemes has been enhanced from 66.6% to 90% of the project cost.

(vii) The Statutory Minimum Price (SMP) for sugarcane for 1993- 94 season has been announced at Rs. 34.50, per quintal linked to a basic recovery of 8.5% as against Rs. 31/-per quintal for 1992-93 season. An advance announcement of SMP for 1994- 95 season has also been made at Rs. 37/- per quintal linked to a basic recovery of 8.5%.

(viii) The incentive scheme for new sugar factories and expansion projects has been suitably revised.

(ix) State Governments have been requested to consider various measures to contain diversion of cane to Gur and Khandsari Units.

Subsidy on Sugar

3295. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state: (a) the total quantum of imported sugar to be released through Public Distribution System (PDS), State-wise;

(b) whether its distribution will be on subsidized basis; if so. the quantum of subsidy and the total amount which Government will have to absorb; and

(c) how long Government expect to subsidise sugar through P.D.S.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) A statement showing the allocation of imported sugar as levy sugar for thc monllis of September, 1994 and October, 1994 is given at statement *{see* below). State wise allocations of imported sugar from the month of November, 1994 onwards are yet to be made.

(b) and (c) It is proposed to subsidise the sale of imported sugar for the Public Distribution System (PDS) so that it can be distributed at a uniform retail price of Rs. 9.05 per kg. throughout the country. The total subsidy on imported sugar would depend upon the quantity of imported sugar to be taken over for distribution through the Public Distribution System. Imports arc still continuing . There is no subsidy given by the Government on distribution of indigenous sugar through Public Distribution System.

Statement

Statewise Allocation of Imported Sugar During September and October, 1994 for Distribution Under PDS

(Figures In MTs.)

State/Union Territory	Allocation of Imported Sugar	
	September, 1994	October, 1994
Punjab	9276.6	9309.9
Haryana	4000.0	8325.5
Rajasthan	5000.0	19547 3
Uttar Pradesh	—	61083.0
Madhya Pradesh	—	28863.9
Maharashtra	—	25520,8
Chandigarh	447.2	462.1
Hiinachal Pradesh	—	2351.4
Andhra Pradesh	—	29091.2
K.imataka	5000.0	20470 3
Tamil nadu	—	25950.9
Kerala	5000.0	11958.7
Food Corporation of	71276.2	-
Total	100000.0	242934.0

* Further allocation to direct allottee Stales will be finalised by FCI.